

REMARKS

The allowance of the claims is noted with appreciation.

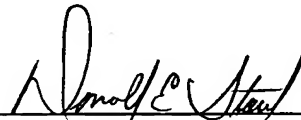
Claim 61 has been amended to clarify the terminology "switched to each other in the individual connecting paths in an opposite conducting direction to recite "disposed in the individual connecting path relative to each other in an opposite conducting direction" to improve the form of the claims for issuance. This amendment is submitted to not change the scope of the claims as allowed.

Since the drawings have been amended to include the legend "PRIOR ART" as required by the Examiner, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early allowance thereof is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, Applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (43468X00) and please credit any excess fees to such Deposit Account.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments

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Amendments to the Drawings:

Please amend the drawings as follows:

Figs. 1-10 are submitted herewith including the labelling of Figs. 2-4 as "PRIOR ART" as required by the Examiner.